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Report from Limon, fruit port—Quarantine against La Guaira on account of reported plague—Sanitary conditions good.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Goodman reports as follows:

Two weeks ended April 4. Estimated population, 6,000. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good. The health authorities of Costa Rica have closed this port against all ships touching at La Guaira on account of plague reported at that port.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
Apr. 1	Ellis	New Orleans.....	39	6	22
2	Lillie	Mobile	23	0	0
3	Matina	New York.....	49	2	0
4	Bertha	New Orleans.....	25	6	0
4	Prinz Eitel F	New York.....	102	17	21

The town has the general appearance of cleanliness which has characterized it for the last few years. The streets are kept in good order and are being macadamized, with cemented gutters. There are few places where water can collect. In some of the streets sewer and separate drain pipes are being laid, the excavations being filled in very quickly after the pipes are in place. The back yards are clean and garbage is removed daily.

There are a few water barrels in the town permitted last season because the water supply from the river gave out. Some of these are improperly screened, and contain mosquitoes and larvæ. The port authorities give prompt assurance of the immediate correction of this condition. Not many mosquitoes are in evidence; of those that I have seen the greater number were *Anopheles*, with a few *Stegomyia calopus*.

The general health of the town and vicinity is good, the number of cases of sickness in the hospitals is unusually small, and no serious illness is present in the port. From reports of local physicians and of other responsible persons, inspection of mortuary statistics, and hospital records, I feel assured there has been no case of yellow fever in or around this port since the closing of this station last fall, and it is now free of any quarantinable disease.

CUBA.

Report from Cienfuegos—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Proposed improvements in quarantine facilities.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Marsillan reports, April 13:

Week ended April 11:

Vessels inspected.....	5
Vessels inspected and fumigated	1
Bills of health issued	6
Members of crews inspected	189
Members of crews inspected landed here.....	1
Passengers inspected, 1 from here, 3 in transit.....	4
Immune certificate issued.....	1

I am informed that some improvements are to take place in this port, such as the construction of a new lazaretto for quarantinable diseases, a new building for the central office, a pier, repair of steamboat, and change of disinfecting barge. With these improvements this port will be in better condition for all necessities of service.

Report from Habana—Inspection and fumigation of vessels.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Amesse reports, April 13:
Week ended April 11.

Vessels inspected and bills of health issued.....	24
Vessels not inspected and bills of health issued.....	4
Members of crew of outgoing vessels inspected.....	1, 010
Members of crew of outgoing vessels not inspected.....	95
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.....	703
Immune certificates issued.....	20
Vessels fumigated prior to sailing.....	12

During the past week 133 persons have complied with the regulations relative to travel from Cuban to United States ports and certificates have been issued them.

Report from Matanzas—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Anti-mosquito work.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Nuñez reports, April 13:

Week ended April 11. Bills of health granted to 4 vessels clearing for United States ports. Of these, the British schooner *Hieronymus* with a crew of 9, no passengers, bound for Mobile, Ala., and the Norwegian steamship *Vitalia* with 19 members of crew, no passengers, destination Galveston, Tex., were fumigated April 10 and 11, respectively, and certified to.

Periodical oiling of water containers is carried out by the sanitary department. Very few mosquitoes are noticed in the city.

A very important improvement has been made at the protected wards of the city hospital by the installation of several cages of wire netting as an additional precaution against the introduction of mosquitoes. By this means every patient under observation occupies one cage by himself, thus reducing the possibility of transmitting the contagion at the place to the other inmates. Formerly there was no separation or proper isolation except by mosquito bars. No quarantinable diseases have been reported.

Report from Santiago—Inspection of vessels—Fumigation of vessel to kill mosquitoes.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wilson reports, April 8:

Week ended April 4. Bills of health issued to 6 vessels bound for the United States. The British steamship *Parkwood*, bound, in ballast, for Mobile, was fumigated to kill mosquitoes.

No quarantinable disease has been reported.